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## Fred S. Zeidman

Fred S. Zeidman was appointed Chairman of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council by President George W. Bush in March 2002. The Council, which includes 55 Presidentially-appointed members and ten members from the U.S. Congress, is the governing board of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

The Museum is America's national institution dedicated to remembering the Holocaust and teaching its lessons to future generations. In his capacity as Chairman, Mr. Zeidman is leading the Museum's plans for its second decade, including a \$300 million endowment campaign.

A prominent Houston-based business and civic leader, Mr. Zeidman is Managing Partner of WoodRock & Company. He is also Vice Chairman of the Board of Regents, Texas Southern University; Texas State Chairman, Israel Bonds; Vice Chairman, Republican Jewish Coalition; Vice President and Director, Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs; and a member of the Investment in Discovery Campaign Committee, Baylor College of Medicine. He serves on the Executive Committees of the Texas Inter-Faith Housing Corporation, the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), the Houston Jewish Community Foundation, and the Houston Ear Research Foundation.

He is immediate past Chairman, Southwest Region, Anti-Defamation League, and has played a leadership role in a number of other organizations, including the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston; as a member of the Alumni Board of Governors, Washington University, St. Louis; and as a Director of the American Jewish Committee.

The *Forward* newspaper named Mr. Zeidman one of its "Forward 50" for 2002. Earlier that year, his leadership was recognized by the American Friends of Lubavitch, who honored him at their annual Washington gala. In 2001, AIPAC recognized his efforts with its Southwest Region Distinguished Leadership Award. Mr. Zeidman holds a Bachelor's degree from Washington University in St. Louis, and a Master's in Business Administration from New York University.